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SADs FYI – Please share with your EE staff.

Thanks

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Greetings:

As part of our effort to continue improving implementation of the Clean Air Act's exceptional event provisions, the EPA is developing new guidance, titled ***Prescribed Fire on Wildland: Addendum to the Guidance on the Preparation of Exceptional Events Demonstrations for Wildfire Events that May Influence Ozone Concentrations***, to reflect the 2016 revisions to the Exceptional Events Rule. The purpose of this message is to **(1)** solicit air agency input on the draft guidance and **(2)** to announce an upcoming webinar intended to help familiarize you with the document.

1) Opportunity to Comment on Draft Prescribed Fire Guidance

The guidance is intended to facilitate Exceptional Events Rule implementation by providing example language and sample analyses that air agencies may use in demonstrations for prescribed fires. Although this guidance focuses on

prescribed fire events that influence ozone concentrations, many of the examples and approaches described in the document may also be useful for prescribed fire events that influence particulate matter concentrations.

As a next step in the development of this guidance, we are pleased to invite air agency review and consideration of the attached draft. We encourage air agencies to focus their review on corrections or clarifications of content, and suggestions for additional information that would be helpful to include. Following this step in the guidance development process, and prior to finalizing the document, EPA will collaborate with federal partners through the Office of Management and Budget to further refine the guidance.

Please feel free to share this email and draft with your states and kindly email your comments or suggestions on the attached draft guidance to Ben Gibson at gibson.benjamin@epa.gov by January 11, 2018.

2) National Webinar on Draft Prescribed Fire Guidance

We also plan to hold a national webinar to facilitate your review of the draft guidance:

Date and Time: November 27, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Intended Audience: State, Local, and Tribal air agencies

How to Participate: You do not need to register in advance for this webinar. To participate, please click on the webinar link below at the appointed date and time. *(Note: We will use the webinar link for both slide visuals and for audio. There is no separate call-in number.)*

To Join the Meeting: <https://epawebconferencing.acms.com/eeguidance>. Once you click on the link to join the meeting, follow these instructions:

1. Click "Enter as a Guest"
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We welcome and sincerely appreciate your input!

Thank you,
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